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Gerald T. Shekleton Reg. No. 27,466**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

This is a request under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the office action of December 12, 2002 in the above-identified application. The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

- (X) One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) \$ 120.00  
 ( ) Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 ( ) Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 ( ) Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4)) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 ( ) Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

- (X) Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$ 60.00.  
 (X) A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.  
 ( ) The Commissioner has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.  
 (X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to this application number under 37 C.F.R. 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-0920. Should no proper amount be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 23-0920.

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